1981 Varsity Knights Football Team

Buckingham small but not afraid to hit hard

Buckingham County High School's varsity Knights started their 1981 football season Friday with a bang, recording a 35-6 victory over Cumberland High School.

Tailback Russ Gowin scored two of the Knights' touchdowns and passed 58 yards to receiver Jessie Davis for a third.

David Davies and Shawn Woodson also scored for the Knights in the non-Seminole District contest.

The win was a bright start for the Knights, who are entering their second year as members of the Seminold District.

"We're pleased with the way things have gone so far," says veteran Knight coach, Pete Gowin. "Our team is young and small, but they're quick, and have shown more enthusiasm than in several years."

Fullback Basil Gooden, tailback Russ Gowin, and wingback David Davies, all seniors, are returnees from Buckingham's 1980 squad, which posted a 0-9-1 record in the Knights' first year in the Seminole District.

Will Gowin, a sophomore who started the past two years on the Knights' junior varsity squad, is in the quarterback slot on this year's team.

The Knights run a basic straight T offense with an unbalanced line, according to

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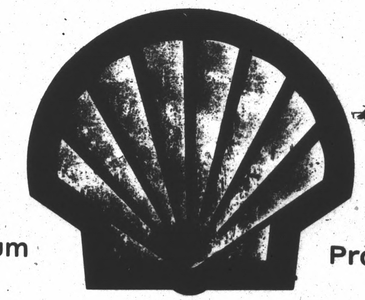

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THE 1981 BUCKINGHAM COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL LADY KNIGHTS VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM (front, from left): Angela Perkins, Shelby Guill, Rhonda Maxey, Yvete Jones, and Eloise Saunders; (second row, from left) Veronica Carter, Cozette Jones, Rosemary Williams, and scorekeeper, Michelle Saunders. In back is coach Shirley McDaniel. Not shown in photo are Kim Maxey, Evonne Allen, and Margaret Bartel.

McDaniel heads girls' team

Shirley McDaniel returns to coaching girls' basketball this season after an absence from the sport at Buckingham County High School.

With her, she brings high hopes for her young team.

The Buckingham girls lost their first two contests of this season, one a 48-32 loss to Altavista on Sept.1, the second a close 35-40 loss to Jefferson Forest last Thursday evening.

"So far this season, we've been having some problems shooting, both foul shots and field goals, and we've been having some trouble handling the ball," says McDaniel.

Five girls have returned to this season's version of the Lady Knights from last season's team, according to McDaniel.

Seniors Angela Perkins and Rhonda Maxey, as well as juniors Cozette Jones, Veronica Carter and Yvette Jones will comprise the nucleus of this year's Buckingham County High School girls' varsity basketball team, according to McDaniel.

Shelby Guill, a senior playing varsity basketball for the first time this season, Evonne Allen, a tall (Six feet, one-half inch) junior, Margaret Bartee, up from last year's junior varsity squad, junior Rosemary Williams, and sophomores Eloise Saunders and Kim Maxey, both up from last year's junior varsity squad, round out the Buckingham varsity girls' team this season.

McDaniel notes that her team has projected good team spirit and the players' attitudes have been good thus far in the young season.

Her team is young, but, she feels, the girls all have a genuine desire to excel, and they do enjoy playing together as a team.

McDaniel, a veteran girls' athletics coach who has coaches at other schools such as Bowling Green and Franklin, believes her girls can improve on last year's team's record, which included three wins on the season.

Lady Knights' Schedule

Date	Team	Place	Time
9-1	Altavista	Home	8:00
9-3	J. Forest	Away	8:00
9-8	Liberty	Home	8:00
9-10	Wm. Campbell	Home	8:00
9-15	Rustburg	Home	8:00
9-17	Gretna	Away	8:00
9-22	Nelson	Home	8:00
9-24	Appomattox	Home	8:00
9-29	Brookville	Home	8:00
10-1	Altavista	Away	8:00
10-6	J.Forest	Home	8:00
10-8	Liberty	Away	8:00
10-13	Wm. Campbell	Away	8:00
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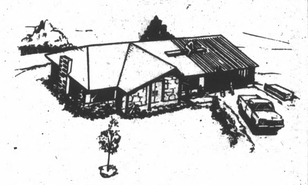

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